

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
FOR THE WESTERN DIVISION

OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL)	CASE NO. C-1-00-879
EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION,)	
AMALGAMATED LOCAL 98, AFL-CIO,)	
CLC)	Judge Beckwith
Plaintiff,)	Magistrate Judge Black
v.)	
)	
)	JOINT STATUS REPORT
THE KROGER CO.)	
Defendant.)	

This is a joint status report filed by the parties pursuant to the Court's Order. The parties in this matter submitted additional evidence and briefs to Arbitrator Frank Keenan on October 24, 2003, concerning one remaining unresolved issue. The Arbitrator has not yet rendered his decision on this remaining issue. Once this issue has been decided by the Arbitrator, this case can be concluded.

Accordingly, the parties respectfully request that the Court continue to stay the proceedings in this matter until the arbitration proceeding has been completed.

Respectfully submitted,

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